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P.O. Box 1450  
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ATTN: Art Unit #3761

Re: Patent Application  
For: OSTOMY COMFORT PAD  
Applicant: Richard A. and Ruth A. Hogan  
Serial No.: 10/712,557  
Filing Date: 11/13/2003  
Attorney Docket No.: 03-5382

Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is to request a status report on the referenced patent application. Our file reflects that we have received nothing from your office concerning this application except the filing receipt and Notice of Publication. To date, the application has not been issued to an examiner for review.

A Petition to Make Special based on age was filed with the patent application on November 13, 2003. The undersigned contacted Art Unit 3761 on March 22, 2005 wherein the person stated that they are "just getting to July 2002." Once informed that the application contained a Petition to Make Special, the person stated that he would "get on it." However, as of the date of this letter, the application was not assigned to an examiner for review.

A second phone call was placed to Art Unit 3761 on September 20, 2005 wherein a voicemail was left for Larry Schwartz requesting the status of the application. However, we have yet to receive a response from Mr. Schwartz.

According to the Private PAIR system of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, the status of the application is "Application dispatched from preexam-not yet docketed."

Please advise us immediately as to the status of this application.

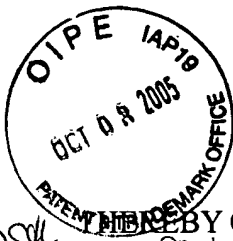
Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Richard A. and Ruth A. Hogan



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*DSK* I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the 09 day of September, 2005, addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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